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1. I CAN UNDERSTAND AND APPRECIATE NEED FOR STUDY TO PROVIDE
LA BUREAU OF AID WITH ADVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO HOW
AID CAN BEST CARRY OUT ITS CONGRESSIONAL MANDATE QUOTED IN
REFTEL.
2. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF RECENT EMBASSY AND WASHINGTON REVIEWS OF
LABOR SITUATION HERE WHICH CULMINATED IN NEW APPROACH TO OUR FUTURE
ASSISTANCE TO URUGUAYAN TRADE UNION MOVEMENT, I BELIEVE THAT IT
WOULD NOT BE HELPFUL TO OUR INTERESTS AND PROBABLY HARMFUL TO
CONDUCT STUDY OF INDICATED SCOPE IN URUGUAY USING OUT-OF-EMBASSY
CONTACTS. THIS ISSUE IS STILL SENSITIVE ONE HERE AND UTILITY
OF STUDY FOR PURPOSE INDICATED IS HIGHLY QUESTIONABLE UNDER
PRESENT CONDITIONS.
3. FOR THESE REASONS, I WOULD WELCOME A VISIT BY MR. HAMMOND
AT TIME INDICATED PROVIDED IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT IT WOULD BE FOR
DISCUSSION AND FACT-FINDING WITHIN MISSION ONLY, INCLUDING
ALVA MOORE. THERE IS ALREADY WEALTH OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE ON
WHICH MR. HAMMOND CAN DRAW RELATING TO URUGUAY WITHOUT NE-
CESSITY OF OUT-OF-EMBASSY INTERVIEWS. I ASSURE YOU THAT WE WILL
BE AS HELPFUL AS WE POSSIBLY CAN TO MR. HAMMOND ASSUMING VISIT
PROCEEDS UNDER STIPULATIONS GIVEN ABOVE.

4. GDS.

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